SUBJECT: Manpower and Functions

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Attached are functional statements covering the Test Group, Special Test Branch, and 1071-1, 1071-2, 1151 and 1171 Branches.

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FUNCTIONAL STATEMENTS - WDPT

TEST GROUP

Responsible for formulation, dissemination and revision of a test philosophy uniquely suited to the requirements of the Ballistic Missile Program. Maintains Master Test Plan for all phases of systems testing. Reviews progress of systems testing to ensure that military requirements of the weapon system is clearly demonstrated. Is directly responsible for the timely preparation of test centers to support testing required by this program. Is central point of contact for all testing requirements placed upon DOD field testing installations.

SPECIAL TEST BRANCH

Initiates or monitors studies and tests other than complete missile system tests in support of technical groups and weapon systems offices. Tests include sled tests, drop tests, and others pertaining to development of single components. Supervises preparation of test requirements; implements test programs. Selects center to handle tests; performs liaison with centers to ensure test support. Initiates study contracts with schools or industry for investigation of special technical problem areas.

107A-1, 107A-2, 315A and 117L BRANCHES

Maintains Master Test Plan for all phases of weapon system testing, including purpose, schedules, sites, and conducting agency. Reviews all testing to insure demonstrated compliance with requirements. Insures preparation and approval of requirements documents and Center Data Acquisition and Support Plans.